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Draft multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission 2006-2009

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with a request contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/51 of 29 July 1999, a proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission is set out below. Reflecting comments from members and observers of the Commission and a review of its workplans by the United Nations Statistics Division, it constitutes a revision of the multi-year programme of work for 2005-2008 (E/CN.3/2005/26) considered by the Commission at its thirty-sixth session.

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Proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission 2006-2009

Agenda item[a]	*2006*	*2007*	*2008*	*2009*
1. Demographic and social statistics				
(a) Population and housing censuses	X	X		X
(b) Human settlements statistics			X	
(c) Paris Group on Labour and Compensation (city group)	X		X	
(d) Health statistics	X	X	X	X
(e) Social statistics	X		X	
(f) Poverty statistics	X			
(g) Rio Group on Poverty Statistics (city group)	X			
(h) Statistics of drugs and drug use			X	
(i) Washington Group on Disability Measurement (city group)		X		X
2. Economic statistics				
(a) National accounts	X	X	X	X
(b) Agricultural statistics		X		
(c) Industrial statistics	X	X		
(d) Roundtable on Business Survey Frames (city group)	X		X	
(e) Energy statistics	X		X	
(f) Oslo Group on Energy Statistics (city group)		X		X
(g) Distributive trade statistics	X			
(h) International merchandise trade statistics	X		X	
(i) Statistics of international trade in services		X		X
(j) Statistics of services	X		X	
(k) Information and communication technologies statistics		X		
(l) Tourism statistics		X		
(m) Finance statistics		X		
(n) International Comparison Programme	X	X	X	X
(o) Ottawa Group on Price Indexes (city group)		X		X
(p) Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics		X		X
(q) Statistics of science and technology			X	
(r) Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics (city group)	X		X	
(s) Voorburg Group on Service Statistics (city group)			X	
(t) Integrated economic statistics	X			
3. Natural resources and environment statistics				
(a) Environment statistics	X		X	
(b) Environmental accounting	X	X		X
(c) London Group on Environmental Accounting		X		X
4. Activities not classified by field				
(a) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes	X	X	X	X

Agenda item[a]	*2006*	*2007*	*2008*	*2009*
(b) Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division)	X	X	X	X
(c) Management issues in national statistical offices		X		
(d) Statistics of human development		X		
(e) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics				X
(f) International economic and social classifications	X	X	X	
(g) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata		X		
(h) Presentation of statistical data and metadata				
(i) Coordination of ongoing methodological work		X		
(j) Statistical capacity-building	X	X	X	X
(k) Dissemination of statistics by the United Nations Statistics Division		X		
(l) Development indicators	X	X	X	X
(m) Follow-up to Economic and Social Council policy decisions	X	X	X	X
(n) Working methods of the Statistical Commission				X
(o) Principles governing international statistical activities	X			
Total number of items	**25**	**27**	**21**	**18**

[a] The order of the agenda items is based on the order of items in the Classification of Statistics and Statistical Activities (document SA/2001/9 dated 16 August 2001, annex I) approved by the former Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) Subcommittee on Statistical Activities at its thirty-third session held from 14 to 16 September 1999 in Madrid.

Programme reviews

2003: Statistics of services

2004: Social statistics

2005: Energy statistics

2006: Industrial statistics

2007: Education statistics

2008: Employment statistics (proposed)